STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA - BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION - OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE MICROPHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGE APPEARING ON THIS SLIDE OF MICROFILM IS AN ACCURATE REPRODUCTION OF THE ORIGINAL RECORD AND WAS MICROFILMED IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF SOUTH DAKOTA COMPILED LAW 1-27-4. IT IS FURTHER CERTIFIED THAT THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESS USED FOR MICROFILMING OF THE ABOVE RECORDS WAS IN A MANNER AND ON MICROFILM WHICH MEET THE RECOMMENDED REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS FOR PERMANENT MICROPHOTOGRAPHIC REPRODUCTIONS.
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WHEREAS, The State of South Dakota is an agricultural state that obtains the majority of its income from the land in farming, ranching and mining and the sports of hunting and fishing; and

WHEREAS, Profits come from wise and not wasteful stewardship of all wildlife, trees, soil and clean water; and

WHEREAS, All of mankind was given the position of authority over all of God's creation and was charged to maintain it wisely for the welfare and happiness of all present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, Farmers and ranchers are deserving of special recognition because of the weight of responsibility and commitment and hardships they have assumed and endeavored to meet in their role as the world's food producers; and

WHEREAS, All of life must have water in order to live, grow and reproduce; and

WHEREAS, Water is one natural commodity that is growing smaller and smaller in amount as the demand for it increases due to increased population and warmer, drier weather; and

WHEREAS, As a Christian nation the majority of Americans and thereby South Dakotans believe in the strong, effective power of prayer in meeting needs that are beyond our own control and command; and

WHEREAS, Christian leaders of South Dakota, as well as the world over, are calling upon their members individually and collectively to take time to pray to the Creator and Sustainer of all life for rain:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 15, 1977 as

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and urge all of our citizens to join with ranchers and farmers in a rededication to wise use of all our natural resources and their proper management for the benefit of future generations. Further, I urge all believers to attend their church worship services on Rural Life-Soil Stewardship Sunday to pray for rain.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 10th day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Seven

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RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

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LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE